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To Michigan's government representatives:

I hope to attend and testify in front of the insurance committee on Tuesday, October 4. In the event my husband's behavior does not allow me to go to Lansing, I wanted to express my viewpoints and concerns. These are brief, matter of fact concerns. Please read it in its entirety.

First, Governor Snyder stated Michigan is the only state to provide lifetime medical benefits. I am proud to live in Michigan and know that we are setting an example and demonstrating leadership of how our citizens should be treated when unfortunate unexpected life-changing accidents occur. MCCA has shown it can be done without creating a deficit.

Second, as a small business owner I have experienced the down-turned Michigan economy. If we change these benefits many hospitals and extended care facilities will experience a large decrease in business and be forced to add to the unemployed population in Michigan.

Lastly, my husband was involved in an unexpected auto accident in 2008 and will not be able to return to work. In the first 3 weeks of his accident his medical and hospital costs exceeded \$2 million. In addition, he requires 24 hour care. If attendant care is changed to only 56 hours per week, how would you recommend I facilitate his care for the remaining 112 hours per week? I invite each and every one of you to actively participate in a 24 hour day with someone in this situation. There is no time off including meals and sleep.

Please do not attempt to fix something that isn't broken. Michigan is a proven leader in this and should set the example for other states and our federal government. I am proud to be a Michigan resident.

Sincerely,
Mary (Molly) Wines